NOTIFICATION OF REMOVAL

This notice certifies that the coal firing capability of Boiler 4 has been permanently dismantled and removed. Boiler 4 was a coal/gas fired boiler used by the Lincoln Electric Company, 22801 St. Clair Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44117. This task was performed in order to guarantee the continued emissions compliance of Boiler 4 as required by the Consent Agreement and Consent Order issued by the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, dated September 30, 1998 and agreed to by Lincoln Electric.

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Project: 1. Electrode Driers Asbestos Removal

Status: Asbestos completely removed from one drier

Problems encountered/solutions

None

List of attached documents

- 1. Purchase order for removal contractor
- 2. Purchase order for 3rd party monitoring services
- ** No canceled check copies are attached at this time because Lincoln has yet to be invoiced.

Environmental and Public Health Benefits

- 1. Less exposure of fugitive asbestos dust to maintenance workers.
- 2. Conservation of natural gas because of better insulation.
- 3. Long term reduction in landfill disposal of asbestos containing materials.

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Project: 2. Diatomaceous Earth Receiving Dust Control

Status: Most of the equipment for the project has been purchased and is on site. Installation has yet to begin.

Problems encountered/solutions

Slow delivery by the manufacturer (3 months late)
This should not push completion of the project beyond the due date however.

List of attached documents

- 1. Purchase order for bulk bag unloader, etc.; check yet to clear
- 2. Purchase order for screw feeder, etc.; cancelled check
- 3. Purchase order for diverter valve, etc.; cancelled check

Environmental and Public Health Benefits

Reduction of ambient harmful dust within workplace. Benefit to the health of all workers in the area.

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Project: 3. Spill Containment for Multiple Fuel Tanks

Status: One new tank with pre-fabricated spill containment has been ordered. Spill containment walls have been formed around three existing tanks. Two double walled (self-contained) tanks have also been ordered.

Problems encountered/solutions

Discovery of a sixth tank that needed to be added to the program. Delivery/installation of tanks that had to be purchased will not be complete before the 10/31/98 deadline.

List of attached documents

- 1. Purchase order for tank with pre-fabricated spill containment.
- 2. Purchase order for fabricating spill containment for three existing tanks.
- 3. Purchase order for concrete pads for two remaining tanks.
- 4. Purchase requisition for two self-contained tanks.
- ** No canceled check copies are attached at this time because Lincoln has yet to be invoiced.

Environmental and Public Health Benefits

- 1. Reduced potential for fuels spilled due to a tank/pump failure to reach a storm water sewer.
- 2. Containment of small spills from filling operations.
- 3. Improved safety by having a barrier between tank and vehicles.

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Project: 4. Modify Cored Wire Baghouses

Status: Project complete. Baghouses were changed from side loading to top loading and new bags were provided.

Problems encountered/solutions No problems

List of attached documents

- 1. Purchase order, canceled check Magnehelic gauges
- 2. Purchase order, check has yet to clear Cage Assemblies
- 3. Purchase order, check has yet to clear Baghouse bags
- 4. Work order fabricate and install hinges and brackets

Environmental and Public Health Benefits

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